

BORDEN ACTION AWAITS FORMAL WAR PROTOCOL

General Funston and Chief of Staff Are Working Out Details.

TO SEND TROOPS TO SAFEGUARD RAILROAD

With Co-operation of Mexicans, Believe American Citizens Protected.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, May 15.—Major General Frederick Funston and his chief of staff, Major Malvera Hill-Barnum, worked out many details today of the plan of reorganization of the border patrol while reports from General Pershing and from the Big Bend district served to emphasize how incidental the American operations south of the border have become. General Pershing's troops drew closer together and gave no sign that early resumption of the chase of Francisco Villa was contemplated. Colonel Sibley is driving his little command of cavalry some sixty miles south of Bonquillas, but at headquarters little hope that he will capture the bandits or rescue Jesse Deener, whom they carried away, is displayed. The safeguarding of the Southern Pacific railway from here to El Paso was decided upon today and as quickly as possible troops will be sent to every bridge along the line. In the event of military operations on a big scale the use of that railroad would be imperative. For a great part of the distance the line parallels the Rio Grande and, unless guarded, its cutting would be comparatively simple. Want More Troops. Agents of the department of justice talked with General Funston regarding information indicating plans for riding across the border near Brownsville and representatives of property owners in that district also made representations to him on which they based suggestions that more troops be sent there. The thirtieth infantry arrived to night, but no announcement was made as to its station other than that for the present it would be held here for distribution. Await Details of Confab. WASHINGTON, May 15.—The state department and General Carranza are awaiting detailed reports of the recent El Paso military conference before seeking an agreement as to the Mexican border situation through diplomatic conversations. General Scott, chief of staff of the army, returned here today, optimistic over the military situation and confident that the meetings between himself and General Funston on the one side and General Obregon, Carranza's war minister, on the other, had created a better understanding between the two governments which might furnish the basis for a formal protocol. The chief of staff was in need of rest, however, and did not see Secretary Lansing. He reported briefly to Secretary Baker, but the full discussion of his conversation with Obregon will come later. Wants Instructions. Eliseo Arrondido, the Mexican ambassador-designate, asked for instructions as to his course last week, but General Obregon probably will CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO

COMMITTEE WON'T SANCTION BRANDEIS

Fight Over Nomination Will Go to Senate Without Recommendation.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—It now appears practically certain that the issue over the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis to the supreme court of the United States is to be fought out in the senate without recommendation from the judiciary committee, which has considered and investigated the case for more than three months. Although no authoritative announcement has been made regarding the attitude of the judiciary committee, it was reported after a protracted secret session of the committee today that a favorable report on the nomination could not be agreed upon and several Democratic senators who did not wish to agree to such a report would vote to return the nomination to the senate without recommendation. One Democratic member of the committee who has been wavering in his attitude toward Brandeis told a Republican colleague that the committee would report the nomination without approval or disapproval, probably next Wednesday. Another majority senator, who is strongly in favor of Mr. Brandeis, said he did not favor such a course, but that he might be persuaded to support it rather than hazard the influence which an adverse report might have on the senate. Members of the committee spoke their minds frankly on the case at CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO

EVERY POINT ON THE BORDER NOW CLOSELY GUARDED



GUARDING RAILROAD BRIDGE AT EL PASO. (SPECIAL SERVICE)

The situation on the Mexican border is growing more acute hourly. Each day brings reports of new Mexican raids across the border. A general uprising of Mexicans on both sides of the border is feared. The picture shows United States troops guarding an important railway bridge in the vicinity of El Paso.

Many Are Killed in Two Disasters

Powder Plant Explosion Is Fatal to 14

GIBBSTOWN, N. J., May 15.—At least 14 men were killed and about thirty injured today in a terrific explosion at the Repano plant of the Du Pont Powder company near here. The blast occurred in the building in which trinitrotoluol is manufactured and wrecked that structure and three others. The identified dead: W. F. Lawley, Woodbury, N. J., assistant superintendent of the trinitrotoluol plant. George Marsh, Paulsboro, N. J., foreman. George W. Ryan, Bernard Keller, Andrew Eittinger and Luke, Theyney, Paulsboro. Frederick Ream, Gibbstown. John J. Volk and Charles Hoelzer, Woodbury. Frank Bamberg. The cause of the explosion is not known and, according to officials of the company, may never be ascertained, as all those believed to have been in the building where the first explosion occurred are dead. Trinitrotoluol is not considered an explosive risk and company officials believe it caught fire before exploding. This blast caused a nearby building, in which nitrobenzol is manufactured, to blow up. So great was the force that two buildings some distance away in which huxite was manufactured were wrecked, but the explosives did not go off. Many of those killed and injured were outside the buildings involved and were either killed or hurt by flying debris. Other workmen promptly went to the rescue and many of the injured were sent to various surrounding towns. The wildest rumors prevailed as to the number of dead, but the company was unable to give the number killed until all the employees had been checked up. Trinitrotoluol and nitrobenzol are used in filling shells and mines. The building in which they were produced was of frame construction.

SCHOOL ELECTION TO BE HELD TODAY

Three New Directors Will Be Named; Six Good Men in Race.

IMPORTANT MATTER

Voters Should Select Men Who Have Nothing They Can Sell.

THREE new members of the Tulsa school board will be elected at a special election today. A proposition for an extra levy to meet current school expenses will also be voted on. On account of the past trouble in school affairs and the fact that a vast amount of improvement work is being done and is to be done, an unusually heavy vote probably will be recorded.

There are two candidates for each place. Voters who desire to place the school above the ban of suspicion should see that men of ability and standing are elected; they should be men who are not in any way connected with any branch of the construction business and who cannot possibly have anything to sell. Three Good Men. The three men who are being mentioned most prominently for the places, and all of whom are professional men of long residence here, are A. M. Welch, Dr. J. M. Temple and Dr. N. W. Mayginness. Mr. Welch has for years been humane agent for the county and is vitally interested in all matters pertaining to the welfare of children and the community at large. Opposing him is C. W. Pritchard, a structural iron salesman and engineer. Doctor Temple has been one of the leading dentists of Tulsa for a long period of years and has been re-elected president of the Tulsa County Humane society times without number. He started the movement here for dental hygiene and the movement that resulted in a trained nurse being placed in the city schools. Doctor Mayginness is a property owner and an old resident. He is one of the city's most prominent physicians. Archaus H. Craver is running against Doctor Temple, while Doctor Mayginness is opposed by T. J. Hartman.

Women May Vote. Women will be allowed to vote in today's election. The polls will open at 6 o'clock this morning and will close at 7 o'clock p. m. The polls will be the same as in the last city election. Kendall, which is a part of the school district, will also participate in this election.

20 Diners Meet Death When Big House Falls In

AKRON, Ohio, May 15.—The old Beacon-Journal building, occupied by Zeris Brothers restaurant, collapsed early this evening as a result of blasting for an excavation in an adjoining lot. Every table was filled. It is reported at least twenty were killed in the crash. There are three bodies and ten injured at the city hospital. Five bodies and nine injured are at the People's hospital and a larger number of bodies were taken to the morgue. It is estimated that there were thirty-five persons seated at the tables in the restaurant when the crash came.

JUST DETERMINED TO "GET" CITY PUMPER

Year Long Fight to Depose Oren Nelson Is Begun With Renewed Vigor.

SPECIAL TO THE WORLD. HARTSHORNE, Okla., May 15.—A year long fight to depose Oren Nelson, Democrat, as city pumper was reopened in the Hartshorne city council this week. Mayor George W. Walshe, Republican, lost. Since Mayor Walshe's election a year ago there has been an almost continual fight as to who should be city pumper. It began at the first council meeting following the installation of the new Republican mayor who had defeated John Robertson, blind Democrat, by the narrow margin of one vote. Nelson had been appointed by Mayor Robertson and when the new mayor was sworn in he appointed a Republican. The council was Democratic, however, and that body refused to confirm the mayor's selection. As a result, Nelson has held over.

When Robertson, former mayor, was elected a member of the council at the last city election the fight was reopened and at this week's meeting Nelson was elected pumper for a full year, following the council's refusal to confirm the mayor's selection. Mayor Walshe also sought to remove J. R. Berry, Democrat, as night marshal, but the council refused to approve Berry's dismissal.

NUMERATION SHOWS PERRY REPUBLICAN

SPECIAL TO THE WORLD. PERRY, Okla., May 15.—The registration just closed shows a total of 729 male voters in the city of Perry. This designates an increase in population of nearly five hundred in the past two years and is about 150 more votes than has been cast in the city for many years. The registration shows the city of Perry to be about 150 Republican. Reports from over the county show a total registration of over six thousand voters. The Socialists made remarkable gains over the vote of two years ago and will have close to five hundred votes in the county. The county is estimated to be over two hundred Republican plurality. No trouble was had in any precinct in the registration.

RUBLEE OBNOXIOUS TO FEDERAL BODY

WASHINGTON, May 1.—The senate late today rejected the nomination of George Rublee of New Hampshire as a member of the federal trade commission. The vote was 42 to 56. Mr. Rublee, who has been serving on the commission under recent appointment since February, 1915, was opposed by Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire, his home state, on the ground that he was "personally obnoxious."

AT MORRISON.

The Devonian Oil company's test on the Donahue farm in northeast of section 27-28-8 got the sand at 2,020 feet and just in the top is making 30,000,000 feet of gas. They will probably try to drill it in today.

Defenders of Old Glory Gathering for Reunion

Veterans of '98 and '65 Here With Stories of Campaigns in Days Gone By.

MAY HAVE RESIGNED FOR A BETTER PLACE

Say, Grumbine Threw Up Alva Job to Head Central State Normal.

OKLAHOMA CITY, May 15.—Resignation of Grant Grumbine, who has been president of the Alva Normal school for the last several years, was tendered to the state board of education today and accepted. It is believed that he will be elected by the board tomorrow to the presidency of the Central State normal at Edmond, of which Charles Evans has been at the head for several years, but resigned to become president of the Henry Kendall college at Tulsa. There had been some rumors that Grumbine might be removed by the board as head of the Alva school where of late there was some discussion, but it is now believed that the board simply intended transferring him from one place to another. State Superintendent E. H. Wilson has declined to consider the offer the board made him to become president of the Central State normal. The board today re-elected faculties at the Durant, Weatherford, Tahlequah, Claremore and Tonkawa state normals. It is understood that W. C. French, superintendent of the Lawton city schools, might succeed Grumbine at Alva.

The shrill notes of a fife and the martial thud of the drum awoke Tulsa yesterday to the fact that for the next three days this city is to have the honor of acting hostess to two organizations of the bravest soldiers who ever stormed a stronghold or followed old glory to a glowing victory. Today Tulsa has as her guest hundreds of members of the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Women's Relief corps, and other allied organizations.

SOLICITORS RECEIVE FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

Will Soon Begin Campaign to Raise Holy Family Church Fund.

The final meeting of the campaign organization to raise \$10,000 for the liquidation of the parish debt of the Holy Family Catholic church before the big opening tonight was held Sunday afternoon in the headquarters in the church basement. All the members of the entire working force were present. The enthusiasm and intense interest shown by the workers at the meeting yesterday afternoon is a strong manifestation of the spirit which knows not the word "fail," remarked Thomas Chestnut, vice-chairman of the campaign executive committee.

The last touches of the preliminary work were put on and the final instructions given by the director. Everything will be in complete readiness for the opening tonight, which will be ushered in with a supper for the workers and will be served by the ladies of the parish.

Rev. Father Heiring, the pastor of the Holy Family church, in a statement today declared that his parishioners were cordially and enthusiastically taking the right hold of the project. "I have every reason to feel absolutely confident and optimistic that the campaign will prove a tremendous success," concluded Father Heiring.

GIRL SUCCUMBS TO WEEK-OLD BURNS

SPECIAL TO THE WORLD. AFTON, Okla., May 15.—Miss Mae Bulawsky, the 21-year-old daughter of August Bulawsky of this city, who was severely burned when her dress caught fire from an oil stove a week ago, died last night at 2 o'clock from her burns. Miss Bulawsky made a brave fight to live, as she was burned all over her body, even her shoes and most of her current burning off before the fire was extinguished. Medical aid came at once and made a hard fight, but Miss Bulawsky, who suffered terribly during the two days that she lived after the accident, succumbed last night and parted from this world of pain and misery for her.

Trial of Sir Roger Casement for High Treason Begins in England; Try to Prove He Headed Uprising

LONDON, May 15.—(8:20 p. m.)—The writing of a new chapter in the history of the Sinn Fein rebellion was begun today when Sir Roger Casement, knighted in 1914 for services to the British government, and Daniel J. Bailey, an Irish private soldier, one of his companions on the ill-fated submarine trip from Germany to Ireland, were placed in the dock of the Bow street police court for preliminary examination on the charge of high treason. While considerable testimony introduced by the crown tended to incriminate Bailey, the main attack of the prosecution was directed against Casement in an effort to establish a net of evidence which would establish without question the part he claimed to have played in the conspiracy, whose ramifications extended even to America. Casement was the center of all eyes during the day. It was evident that no ordinary prisoner was before the bar, for, despite the unkempt condition of his clothing, he made a striking figure with neatly trimmed beard and hair brushed back from a high forehead, underneath which were the deep-set eyes of the dreamer. Is Interested. Casement busied himself taking notes, indicating that he intended to have a hand in the presentation of his defense. He was always self-possessed and as the case wore on began to assume considerable assurances. The testimony developed few thrills, the prosecution devoting attention to showing how Casement carried on the alleged recruiting for his Irish brigade in German prison camps. The most dramatic part of the whole proceeding was the address of the attorney-general, Sir Frederick E. Smith, who outlined Sir Roger Casement's former services to his country, told of the honor bestowed on the prisoner by his king and then shifted abruptly to the details of the conspiracy hatched in Germany.

A \$50,000,000 OIL COMPANY IS PLANNED HERE

Unofficially Given Out That Roxana Co. Will Launch Deal at Once.

TULSA IS TO BE HOME OF CONCERN

Will Build Two Refineries; One at Cushing and One at New Orleans.

ANOTHER gigantic organization is now being perfected and although definite plans have not yet been announced, it was learned from an authoritative source yesterday that Tulsa is to be the home of another \$50,000,000 oil corporation within a short time. This new company will be the Roxana Petroleum company, an old company to Tulsa but new in the ranks of the big capitalized companies. This company, which is the Oklahoma end of the Dutch-Shell group of European companies, has a capital of \$8,000,000 but this is to be increased to \$50,000,000 and the stock listed on the curb markets of the United States, probably within the next two weeks. Financial affairs in Europe are the probable cause of this deal, as the expansion plans of this company call for the raising of new capital which it has been decided to seek in America.

Made Rapid Strides. Coming into Oklahoma only a few years ago, the Roxana has rapidly forged to the front, by splendid management until it is today one of the largest producing companies in the United States with a total production of 23,000 barrels all in Oklahoma, 5,000 barrels in the Cushing field, 11,000 barrels at Healdton and the balance scattered but largely in the Red creek district.

Soon the company will take a prominent place in the refining and marketing ranks as it has been announced already that two refineries will be built at once, one at Cushing of ten thousand barrels capacity and one at New Orleans of the same size to handle Mexico crude oil produced by the La Corona Petroleum company, the Mexican branch of the parent concern. To Build Third. It is probable that a third refinery will be built in the southern part of the state to care for the company's large production in the Healdton field as it is stated the company will not build a pipe line to the Gulf, the long cherished dream of some, but will handle its oil in some other manner. It is not probable to mix Healdton with other Oklahoma oils as it is fair to presume that a refinery will be built at Healdton. Company officials will not deny or affirm that this is true, declaring that their Healdton although is still an unsolved problem.

40,000 WANT SEATS AT G. O. P. MEETING

Indications That Convention in Chicago Will Be Greatest in History.

CHICAGO, May 15.—Officials of the Republican national convention, which meets here June 7, declared today that the demand for tickets to the gathering is unprecedented. Seats have been provided for 12,400 persons in the coliseum, although the convention is three weeks off, forty thousand applications have been received for tickets of admission. Requests have come from every state and from London, England, Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and Cuba.

Following a long established custom visitors to the convention from out of town will have to look to their national committee chairman for their home state for admission tickets.

Make Distribution. The 12,400 tickets will be distributed under the following arrangement: Delegates, 291; guest tickets, 291; press 550. Chicago's share as convention city 2,210. Ten members subcommittee on arrangements of the national Republican committee 200 each, 2,000. 35 members national Republican committee, 13 to 200 each, 4,357; presidential candidates and other distinguished guests 200.

Of the 12,500 seats 9,500 will be on the main floor and 3,000 in the balcony and special mezzanines. The CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO